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**Remarks**

Support for the new claims is found in the section at page 31 entitled "Assays" and in the examples using radiolabelled peptides.

Consideration of the claims on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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